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Notice of Allowability



Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Vijay Chawan

Group Art Unit 2741



All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not include herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course.
☐ This communication is responsive to <u>applicant's correspondence filed 12/28/98</u> .
∑ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-8 and 10-13
☐ The drawings filed on are acceptable.
☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).
☐ All ☐ Some* ☐ None of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been
☐ received.
received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number)
received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
*Certified copies not received:
☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).
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☐ Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION, PTO-152, which discloses that the oath or declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED.
☐ Applicant MUST submit NEW FORMAL DRAWINGS
because the originally filed drawings were declared by applicant to be informal.
including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No
including changes required by the proposed drawing correction filed on, which has been approved by the examiner.
including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment/Comment.
Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the reverse side of the drawings. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal lettter addressed to the Official Draftsperson.
☐ Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.
Any response to this letter should include, in the upper right hand corner, the APPLICATION NUMBER (SERIES CODE/SERIAL NUMBER). If applicant has received a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, the ISSUE BATCH NUMBE and DATE of the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE should also be included.
Attachment(s)
☐ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892
☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948
□ Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152
☐ Interview Summary, PTO-413
☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
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Part III DETAILED ACTION

Information Disclosure Statement

1. All copies of the initialed Information Disclosure Statements (paper #s 2,4 and 8, filed 11/7/97, 3/12/98, and 2/17/99 respectively), is attached to this Office Action.

Allowable Subject Matter

- 2. Claims 1-8, and 10-13 are allowable over the prior art of record.
- 3. The following is an Examiner's statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter:

Claims 1-8, and 10-13 are allowable over the prior art of record. The applicant teaches a speech control apparatus connected to a terminal through a communications network. The newly amended independent claims contain the limitation of "processing means for recognizing the received speech data, converting the recognized speech data into document data, extracting a specific word from the converted document data, and generating formatted document data having predetermined format by inserting the extracted word into a specified

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field of converted document data" is not taught by the cited prior art. The prior art fails to show or fairly suggest the claimed combination of features.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Vijay Chawan whose telephone number is (703) 305-3836.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David R. Hudspeth, can be reached at (703)308-4825.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group Receptionist whose telephone number is (703)305-3900.

Vijay Chawan March 13, 1999

> DAVID R. HUDSPETH SUPERVISORY PATENT EXAMINER GROUP 2700